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1. There were no personnel changes in the SED Bezirk Directorate Rostock after 17 June 1953. Prior to 17 June, however, Lore Wolf, Secretary in Charge of Cultural Affairs of the Bezirk Directorate, was relieved of her duties for reasons of health. She was succeeded by Egon Rentsch, previously head of Department for Art and Belletristic Writing (Abteilung Kunst und schoene Literatur) in the SED Central Committee.
2. Karl Mewis, First Secretary of the Bezirksleitung, who is also Franz Dahlem's son-in-law, seems to have suffered no consequences as a result of the Dahlem affair. He still occupies his position as First Secretary and during a session of the Bezirk Directorate conducted in mid-July 1953 he stated that it was possible that the events of 17 June could be traced back to Beria and that this possibility was at present being investigated.
3. In the Bezirk Directorate Rostock a Department M (Military) is being organized. 1/ This department will be in charge of controlling the Kasernierte Volkspolizei (KVP). The Rostock department is being temporarily run by Fritz Niese, formerly First Secretary in the SED Kreis Directorate Greifswald. No department chief had been appointed as of August 1953, but a vehicle had been assigned to the Department.
4. A similar Department M is allegedly also being organized in the SED Central Committee under the leadership of Karl Schirdewan. The KVP and Volkspolizei were previously controlled by a special sector of the Central Committee, Department for Directing Organs of the Party and Mass Organizations (Abteilung Leitende Organe der Partei und Massenorganisationen) (LOPM).

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comment: Similar departments are undoubtedly also being organized in the other SED Bezirk directorates.

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